SENATE BILL 2739 By Burchett

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, to authorize the issuance of new specialty earmarked license plates in support of members of the United States armed services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Support Our Troops;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

- (a) Owners or lessees of motor vehicles who are residents of the state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Support Our Troops new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).
- (b) The new specialty earmarked plates provided for in this section shall contain a pictorial representation of a soldier and a child in an appropriate design. Such plates shall be designed in consultation with the board of directors of Support Our Troops, Inc.
- (c) The funds produced from the sale of Support Our Troops new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to Support Our Troops, Inc. in accordance with the provisions of § 55-4-215. Such funds shall be used exclusively to operate such organization's programs and activities in Tennessee.

SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the

act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.

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